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brought under the system. For the principles applicable to the rationing of country liquor shops will apply *mutatis mutandis* to the rationing of toddy shops.

R. K. SHANMUKHAM.

III

ACT ASSENTED TO BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The hon. the PRESIDENT announced that the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922, received the assent of His Excellency the Governor-General on the 1st March 1923.

IV

AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS.

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“ Mr. President, Sir, I beg to present the report of the Select Committee appointed, at the meetings of the Council held on the 30th January and 26th February 1923, to consider certain amendments proposed to the Standing Orders. I beg, with your leave, to move that the consideration of the clauses as amended be taken up.”

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP seconded the motion.

The motion was put and carried.

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“ Mr. President, Sir, the first of the amendments which has to be considered is :

After existing Standing Order 79, insert the following as 'Standing Order 79-A :

‘ The President may, by order in writing, delegate to the Deputy President all or any of his powers under the Standing Orders ’.

Sir, as will be apparent from the report of the Committee, the Committee considered that, on the whole, it would be advisable to follow the example of the Legislative Assembly in this respect ; and in response to a fairly widely expressed request that such delegation should be provided for, it has been recommended that the delegation should take place. I move, Sir, that the above amendment be adopted.”

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP seconded the motion.

The motion was put and carried.

The hon. Mr. C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“ Mr. President, Sir, the next series of amendments relate to Standing Order 5 (2). It will be within the memory of hon. Members of this House that a number of complaints have been preferred as to the question of the relative precedence of Bills and Resolutions, and in order to set at rest all doubts on that matter, it has been suggested that there should be no mingling up of Bills and Resolutions, but that they should be balloted for separately. That is the object of the first of the series of amendments. I submit, Mr. President, that it will be convenient to put these amendments separately, and, with your leave, I move the first sub-clause, namely :

‘ The relative precedence of notices of Bills and of Resolutions given by non-official members shall be determined by ballot ’.

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP seconded the motion.

The motion was put and carried.